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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Tsunemi SUGIYAMA, et al. GAU:

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REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

■ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/098,556, filed March 18, 2002, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.

☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**: **Application No.** **Date Filed**

■ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	MONTH/DAY/YEAR
Japan	2001-078824	March 19, 2001
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Japan	2001-290141	September 21, 2001

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ■ were filed in prior application Serial No. 10/098,556 filed March 18, 2002
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number
  Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s)
  - ☐ are submitted herewith
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